

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 97-6-23**

Date Prepared: June 19, 1997

For Work Week Commencing: June 23, 1997

Business Meeting Date & Time: June 23, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. USWC ISDN Docket D96.7.21 - Act on Motion to Compel filed by US West (6/25/97)
2. AT&T/USWC Arbitration Docket D96.11.200 - Review Draft Order on Reconsideration (6/25/97)
3. USWC Rate Rebalancing Docket D96.12.220 - Discuss MCC's Objections to Data Responses and Motion to Compel filed June 18, 1997 (6/25/97)
4. USWC/CommNet Cellular Docket D97.4.64 - Discuss approval of interconnection agreement (6/25/97)
5. PSC Docket D97.6.97 - Approve Final Order for intrastate discounts allowing Montana schools and libraries to file applications with the FCC for federally funded telecommunications discounts (6/25/97)
6. Proposed slamming rules - Review latest draft and decide whether to notice them (6/25/97)

7. SB 89, Section 35 - Consider appointment of PSC representative to the Telecommunications Committee (6/25/97)
8. Montana Universal Access Rule - Review current draft of Montana Universal Access Rules and get Commission direction for amendments (6/25/97)
9. Montana Interim Universal Access Program Oversight Committee - Commission discussion of role of and appointments to Oversight Committee for Montana Universal Access Program (6/25/97)
10. MPC Docket D96.2.22/SB 396 Gas Restructuring Rules - Discussion and action as necessary on gathering stipulation, 2nd stipulations, stipulation presentation, written comments on SB 396, and other matters (6/25/97)
11. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS CO. - Docket N97.5.88 (Nina)

On May 23, 1997, Sprint Communications filed the following tariff changes: The Casual Caller Service Charge (per call charge) will increase from \$.80 to \$1.30; and the Direct Dialed Calls to Directory Assistance will increase from \$.95 per call to \$1.10. Miscellaneous textual changes have also been filed to Service Hours/Rate Periods. This was a notice item on 6/9/97. Staff recommends approval.

2. LINCOLN TELEPHONE CO., INC. - Docket N97.5.92 (Nina)

On May 30, 1997, Lincoln Telephone filed tariff changes adding Unlimited Access to the Internet at the current fee of \$25.00 per month. For those who do not need unlimited access, they will offer 10 hours of usage at \$9.95 per month and/or usage over 10 hours will be \$2.00 per hour. Also, textual changes have been filed to Rates For Internet Access, by removing the distinction between personal and business accounts. This was a notice item on 6/9/97. Staff recommends approval.

3. RONAN TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.5.86 (Kate)

Ronan Telephone Co. included in its May 20, 1997, payphone tariff filing a non-related request to withdraw two obsolete service offerings: Joint User Service and Interexchange Receiving Service. A staff memo recommending approval of the withdrawal of these services has been distributed.

4. MONTANA POWER COMPANY - Docket D97.6.95 (Dave)

On June 11, 1997, The Montana Power Company filed an application for authority to issue and sell an additional 3,000,000 shares of its No Par Value Common Stock pursuant to its Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

5. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.5.93 (Vicki)

On May 30, 1997, MCI filed minor text changes in the MCI Sure Savings Option and the Basic Calling Plan Option.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. LDDS WORLDCOM - Docket N97.6.100 (Nina)

On June 11, 1997, LDDS World Com filed tariff revisions to introduce a new plan to the Home Advantage Service; and a textual change to the Rules and Regulation section.

2. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.6.102 (Nina)

On June 13, 1997, MCI Telecommunications filed Tariff Transmittal Letter No. 97-10, proposing to grandfather Option M (Hotel Direct) and Option T (Hospitality MCI); and to make textual changes to footnote numbers.

3. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.6.98 (Kate)

On June 11, 1997, Valley Telecommunications filed to withdraw its existing Paystation Service and Customer Owned Coin-Operated Telephone Service offerings pursuant to ARM 38.5.2760 and to replace them with Payphone Provider Service, which Valley proposes to offer as a new, detariffed service pursuant to 69-3-810, MCA.

4. PROJECT TELEPHONE - Docket N97.6.99 (Kate)

On June 11, 1997, Project Telephone filed to withdraw its existing Paystation Service and Customer Owned Coin-Operated Telephone Service offerings pursuant to ARM 38.5.2760 and to replace them with Payphone Provider Service, which Project proposes to offer as a new, detariffed service pursuant to 69-3-810, MCA.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Linda Vista Water Co. Docket D97.4.62 - NSA granting intervention to requesting parties was served June 6, 1997

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 97-6-30

Docket N97.6.100 LDDS WORLD COM (Nina)
Docket N97.6.102 MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS (Nina)

New Filings Received in Past Week

D97.6.95	MPC - Security Issue
N97.6.96	Eclipse Communications - Notice of Intent to Provide Local Exchange Service
D97.6.97	PSC - Establishment of Intrastate Discounts for Schools and Libraries Pursuant to Section 254(h) of the Tele Act 1996
N97.6.98	Valley Telecommunications, Inc. - Payphone tariff revisions
N97.6.99	Project Telephone Company - Payphone tariff revisions

- N97.6.100 WorldCom, Inc. - Intro Home Advantage Service and miscellaneous textual changes
- N97.6.101 Ronan Telephone Company - Request for Approval of New Service on Detariffed Basis; Advanced Calling Service
- N97.6.102 MCI - Grandfather Option M (HotelDirect) and Option T (hospitalityMCI); and miscellaneous textual changes
- N97.6.103 PTI - Re-introduce Non-recurring charge waiver for Additional Residential Line Promotion
- D97.6.104 USWC/Beaverhead Electronics - Interconnection Agreement
- D97.6.105 USWC/Havre Answering Service - Interconnection Agreement
- N97.6.106 USWC - Start-Up Business Package/Growing Connection Packages/Minor Revisions